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TAGS: ECON, TU  
SUBJ: TURKEY'S 1978 GNP PROJECTIONS

1. TURKEY'S REAL GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) SHOULD GROW BY ONLY 2.7 PERCENT IN 1978, ACCORDING TO PROJECTIONS PREPARED BY THE STATE INSTITUTE OF STATISTICS (SIS) WHICH WERE BASED ON JANUARY THROUGH MAY DATA. (1977 GROWTH WAS 3.95 PERCENT.) THIS PROJECTION CREATED A BIT OF A POLITICAL FLAP SINCE THE STATE PLANNING ORGANIZATION (SPO) ISSUED A STATEMENT ON JULY 23 THAT GNP GROWTH HAD BEEN 5 PERCENT DURING THE FIRST HALF OF 1978 AND WAS EXPECTED TO REACH THE 1978 ANNUAL PROGRAM TARGET OF 6.1 PERCENT BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

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2. EMBASSY WOULD PLACE MORE CREDENCE IN THE SIS PORJECTION SINCE THIS ORGANIZATION SIMPLY GATHERS, ANALYZES AND PUBLISHES STATISTICS AND DOES NOT HAVE THE PROGRAMMING RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SPO.

3. SIS PROJECTS THE FOLLOWING GROWTH RATES BY SECTOR:

| SECTOR             | 1978 GROWTH PROJECTION | 1977 ACTUAL GROWTH |
|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| AGRICULTURE        | 2.4 PERCENT            | - 0.4 PERCENT      |
| INDUSTRY           | 5.3 PERCENT            | 7.04 034:3,5       |
| CONSTRUCTIONS      | 3.7 PERCENT            | 5.6 PERCENT        |
| COMMERCE           | 2.6 PERCENT            | 4.9 PERCENT        |
| TRANSPORTATION AND |                        |                    |
| COMMUNICATION      | 3.4 PERCENT            | 7.3 PERCENT        |
| PUBLIC SERVICES    | 6.2 PERCENT            | 6.0 PERCENT        |

4. SIS PROJECTS THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP)  
TO GROW BY 3.2 PERCENT, BUT A 51 PERCENT DECLINE  
IN FACTOR INCOME FROM ABROAD REDUCES THE GNP  
PROJECTION TO 2.7 PERCENT. DILLON

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